MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*) : With reference to the answer to part (*a*), may I know whether the bed-level of the lake is not rising ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : Government have no information about that. Information is available now only about that bottle neck.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*) : Am I to understand that the depositing of silt brought down the river does not raise the level ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : It may raise the level.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*) : With reference to the answers to parts (*c*) and (*d*), may I know when the estimate was prepared ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : The date is not available now.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*) : May I know when the Government will take up that work ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : As soon as funds are available for that.

Registry of lands in Kottarakara in the name of Mr. C. M. Korah.

170. MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the registry of certain lands in Kottarakara in the name of Mr. C. M. Korah who was the Stationary Magistrate there and also in the names of his relations has been cancelled by the authorities concerned ;

(*b*) if so, why it has been so done ;

(*c*) whether Mr. Korah has applied again for the registry of such lands ; and

(*d*) the orders passed by the Government on such application ?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*b*) As certain material irregularites were observed in the disposal of the *Puduval* cases.

(*c*) The answer is in the negative.

(*d*) This does not arise, in view of the answer to part (*c*).

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*) : In regard to part (*b*), may I know the names of officers on whose part irregularities were detected ?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : Mr. C. M. Korah alone.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*) : So, the cancellation of the registry in the name of Mr. Korah is the punishment awarded to him for the irregularity on his part. Am I to understand the member like that ?

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MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The irregularity was on the part of Mr. T. A. Thomas.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): What was he then?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Tahsildar, Kottarakara.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know whether any action was taken against that officer for the irregularity?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The registry was cancelled.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know why no action was taken against the Tahsildar of Kottarakara for the irregularities in the registry in the name of his brother officer?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): No particular action was taken.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know whether the Government have come to know of any circumstances under which they could conclude that Mr. Korah was a party to any of these irregularities?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know the extent of the registry?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): I claim notice to that also.

Water-logging in the Parakkai village.

171. MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether provision was made in the P. W. D. Budgets for the years 1104, 1105 and 1106 for works for preventing water logging in the Parakkai village;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the amount provided in each of the above-said years;

(*c*) the amount spent during these years;

(*d*) the reasons for not spending the whole amount;

(*e*) whether there is provision for the work in the current (1107) year's Budget;

(*f*) if the answer to part (*e*) is in the affirmative, the amount spent so far (15-4-1107);

(*g*) whether it is a fact that, with a view to prevent water-logging in the Parakkai village, the Chief Engineer recommended the acquisition of certain paddy lands the owners of which did not agree to stop wet cultivation;

(*h*) whether the declaration for the acquisition was actually published in the *Government Gazette*; and

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